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#### **REQUEST FOR RETURN OF FORMS PTO-1449**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

September 17, 2004

Sir:

Two (2) Information Disclosure Statements were filed on January 6, 2003 and December 8, 2003. Copies of these Information Disclosure Statements are attached.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner return a copy of the Forms PTO-1449 which accompanies the Information Disclosure Statements, marked to indicate that the references listed therein has been considered by the Office.

The Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned should he have any questions concerning this Request.

Respectfully submitted,

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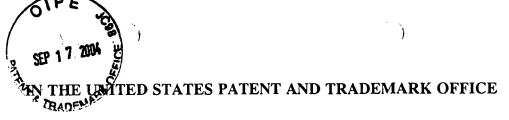
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### INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.97(c)

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December 8, 2003

Sir:

The attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. One copy of each of these documents is attached.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted after issuance of a first official action on the merits and expiration of the three month period following the filing date or the entry of the national stage for the above-captioned application, but prior to issuance of either a final official action or a Notice of Allowance. A check is attached hereto which covers the \$180.00 fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(p).

The above information is presented so that the Patent and Trademark Office can, in the first instance, determine any materiality thereof to the claimed invention. See 37 CFR 1.104(a) concerning the PTO duty to consider and use any such information. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee (or credit any overpayment) associated with this statement to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

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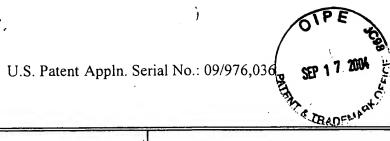
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Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the papers filed as indicated SK /FS in connection with the above-identified case.